

**Friday, March 30, 2018 at 7:00 PM**

*Our worship service begins with the prelude.  
As we gather for worship please make sure your cell phones are silenced  
and refrain from using flash photography.*

Prelude "Sonata in C-sharp minor, op. 27, #2/1" Ludwig van Beethoven

Journey to the Cross Rev. Jessica B. Naulty

**Gathering for Worship**

L1: Come, let us gather again in the shadow of the Cross of Christ.

L2: *We gather to remember the overwhelming evidence of Love's sacrifice.*

**People: We come to remember...**

L1: Who would have guessed that the height and depth, the length and width of God's love might look like this: a forsaken savior on a cross?

L2: *Certainly not us. Not us, who are too often lost amid the world's distractions and responsibilities. Not us, for whom such love was offered without cost.*

**People: Such great love offered for us...**

L1: We gather in the shadow of the cross and hear the words poured from the heart of Christ,

L2: *words of forgiveness, reassurance, despair, suffering, acceptance, and trust.*

**ALL: As the last words of Christ wash over us, may we know his heart and live out his passion and love. Amen.**

Choral Anthem "Crucifixus" Antonio Lotti  
Sanctuary Choir

*Translation: "He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried."*

**FIRST WORD**

"God, forgive them, for they know not what they do." Luke 23:32-38

Meditation

Prayer

Silent Reflections

**Prayer in Song #286 "O Sacred Head Now Wounded"**

**SECOND WORD**

"Today, you shall be with me in paradise." Luke 23:39-43

Meditation

Prayer

Silent Reflections

**Prayer in Song #288 "Were You There?"**

**THIRD WORD**

"Behold your son. - Behold your mother." John 19:19-27

Meditation

Prayer

Silent Reflections

**Prayer in Song #289 "Ah, Holy Jesus"**

**FOURTH WORD**

"My God, my God, why have you forsaken me." Matthew 27:39-54

Meditation

Prayer

Silent Reflections

**Prayer in Song #287 "O Love Divine, What Hast Thou Done"**

**FIFTH WORD**

"I thirst." John 19:28-29

Meditation

Prayer

Silent Reflections

**Prayer in Song #297 "Beneath the Cross of Jesus"**

**SIXTH WORD**

"Into your hands, I commend my spirit." Luke 23:44-49

Meditation

Prayer

Silent Reflections

**Prayer in Song #292 "What Wondrous Love Is This"**

SEVENTH WORD

*"It is Finished"*

John 19:30-37

Meditation

Prayer

Silent Reflections

Prayer in Song

*"Stay With Me"*



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CHRIST BREATHES HIS LAST

Mark 15: 37-39

*The Christ candle is extinguished.*

*Tolling of the bell – A bell will toll 32 times, once for each year of Jesus' earthly life.*

Silent Reflections

Choral Anthem

*"Libera Me"*

Gabriel Faure

**Sanctuary Choir; Evan Courtney, baritone; Steven Russell, organ**

*Translation paraphrase: "Deliver us from death, O Lord.*

*On the day of judgement, grant us eternal rest and perpetual light."*

*Please remain seated in prayerful reflection until the lights come back on.*

Depart in Silence

*No offering will be received during this evening's service, but there is a special place to receive your offering at the exit door of the Sanctuary.*

**This evening's worship leaders:**

Senior Pastor: Rev. Jessica B. Naulty

Director of Music Ministries: Evan Courtney

Musical guest: Steven Russell

Readers: \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_



## *Good Friday*

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